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Date: Thu, 02 Sep 1993 19:17:35 -0500
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!spool.mu.edu!caen!nic.umass.edu!umassd.edu!ulowell!
buscard!Uucp@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: 25 Years of Incentive Licensing!
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

>flawed. It's time to admit it was a horrible mistake that serves only
>to enforce an artificial caste system based on arbitrary manual Morse
>skills that are long obsolete everywhere but amateur radio, throw it
>out on the trash heap of history, and return to the Golden Age of the
>pre-68 years.
>Gary

i guess we should review the pre-68 environment to see if it rates being
called a "golden age"...sometimes things weren't as good as they might appear.

I suspect I would consider the development of the current Technician license requirements a big step back towards the pre-68 era (one license gets all privileges). Right now is probably not a good time for rulemaking given that the FCC is going to be dealing with the cable TV regs and stuff for a while. Probably want to make plans for submission around 1996/1997 or so.

bill wb9ivr

Date: Wed, 08 Sep 93 18:46:38 CDT
From: swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Codeless Technician
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

kd6lff@netcom.com (Ron Moore) writes:

> robert@amanda.jpunix.com (robert) writes:
>
> >Please, stop whining. It's not the fault of the FCC that a
> >significant number of amateurs (and wanna-be amateurs) can't acquire
> >(or increase) their Morse skills. In fact, one even referred to it as
> >"Morris." What a sad commentary on the educational ability of the
> >Codeless Technician.
>
> > --Robert
>
> Its not that codeless amatuers can't acquire or increase code
> proficiency, its that we don't see the point in doing so, for reasons
> which have already been very well articulated. Considering your

Right. Sure they can.

--Robert

Date: 9 Sep 93 07:43:55 GMT
From: ogicse!uwm.edu!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!newsrelay.iastate.edu!news.iastate.edu!
jdwhite@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: New part 97.113 ?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <1993Sep8.103323.1350@miavx3.mid.muohio.edu>
clmorgan@miavx3.mid.muohio.edu writes:
>In article <26hfbeINNea2@matt.ksu.ksu.edu>, steve@matt.ksu.ksu.edu (Steve
Schallehn) writes:
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> It was posted, on here, about 3-4 weeks ago. Also making
> the rounds of the packet network. Wish I'd saved my copy
> to send you.

Would someone please re-post a copy of part 97. As the repeater chairman of our University's club, I'd like to know what is and isn't legal under the new rules.

-Jason

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Date: Wed, 8 Sep 1993 17:31:38 GMT

From: haven.umd.edu!darwin.sura.net!rsg1.er.usgs.gov!dgg.cr.usgs.gov!

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Subject: Possession & Illegal Confiscation of Amateur Radios?

To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <ahLvt*-j1@ve3faq.UUCP> smc@ve3faq.UUCP (Scott McIntyre) writes:

>A few weeks ago, I received my registration package for the upcoming school
>year, and I noticed a new "rule" on the student conduct sheet. The new rule
>pertained to communication devices. All cellular telephones, pagers, _and
>two way radio devices_ were banned from being anywhere on school property,
>for any reason whatsoever. How can they legally stipulate this? I can
[delete]

>How should I go about dealing with this? Do I have to obey such a rule?

>Should I telephone the Department of Communications and have them inform

>the school that I am an Amateur Radio Operator, and there is nothing

>illegal about me possessing a two-way radio wherever I please?

I would suggest that you talk to them to see why they are doing this. Is it due to teachers being upset by cellular phones/pagers in class? Is it the folks who run the cable system getting too many complaints about interference or is it the computer folks worrying about noise on their network? It would be a good idea to talk to them reasonably to see their point of view - perhaps they have gotten some misconceptions about one type of radio (cellular?) and are just making a blanket ban without thinking it out. Offer to work with them to find a compromise...

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+ "Welcome back my friends to the show that never ends!" EL&P

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Date: Thu, 02 Sep 1993 17:32:01 -0500

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nic.umass.edu!umassd.edu!ulowell!buscard!Uucp@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Real Incentives

To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Here am I, typing away in a country with no incentive licencing
scheme. Are there any incentives to learn more about radio, to do new
things, to help others ?

GUESS !

I'm doing this hobby because I want to.

If I build a better aerial (antenna) I can get better signals in and
out.

If I set up for a new mode, I've got a whole new area to explore

If I brush my morse up a bit, I can go looking for some friendly
types, there are some true gentlemen about, in the CW areas

If I work at the French course I've been doing, I can look for some
interesting contacts in that language too.

If I help someone get going and pass the exams, I can get a feeling
of satisfaction from that, and I can see them help others.

If I give someone some parts, I may well see them help others, or
help me back when I need a hand with something.

If I get stuck in I can work DXCC or get a good score in that
contest.

Are these not incentives enough ?

Our government just wanted proof that I knew enough not to get into trouble, then set me loose on the bands. There has recently been introduced a very limited novice licence, to act as a gentle introduction, otherwise there are no graded areas of access to HF, and bandplans are purely voluntary. Anyone who wants an incentive must find their own, there are plenty to choose from, but none forcibly applied.

I criticise (often strongly) many things in Britain, but this seems right to me.

It all comes down to opinions.

In my opinion, there is plenty for me to do still, and reasons to do it

Cheers

David

Date: Thu, 02 Sep 1993 19:00:36 -0500
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umassd.edu!ulowell!buscard!Uucp@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: RIF RAFF
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Reply-To: myers@cypress.West.Sun.COM

In article 0@bnr.ca, harp@bnr.ca (Alan Harp) writes:

>What I would like to see is the amateur radio privilege become
>one of the privileges you loose when you become a convicted
>felon. That would get rid of some well known RIF RAFF!

Out of curiosity, which well-known riff-raff would be expelled?

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Wayne Green was convicted of tax evasion several years back.

Personally, I think we'd be better off without that prophet of baseless doom
and gloom...

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Jay Maynard, EMT-P, K5ZC, PP-ASEL | Never ascribe to malice that which can
jmaynard@oac.hsc.uth.tmc.edu | adequately be explained by stupidity.

"I liked [OS/2] so much, in fact, that I went to work for the company.
I couldn't afford to buy it." -- Steve Withers

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From: agate!howland.reston.ans.net!spool.mu.edu!caen!nic.umass.edu!umassd.edu!
ulowell!buscard!Uucp@ames.arpa
Subject: TVI Inteference Poll
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Email bounced, so I post:

TVI via VCR onlycure: Avoid 10 mtrs, avoid 'phone (ssb)

TVI & some Telephone RFI cure: Avoid 10 mtrs, avoid 'phone (ssb)

RFI to a laserdisc(sterio)cure: Avoid 2 mtrs , avoid 10 mtrs/ssb

I now use only 80, and occasionally 40 mtrs, just CW, and so no longer
get TV RF I reports.

All the above on assorted transmitters, CW now done at 25 watts or less.

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Randy KA1UNW

If you get a shock while
servicing your equipment,

"Works for me!"

DON'T JUMP!
You might break an expensive tube!

-Peter Keyes

Date: Thu, 02 Sep 1993 16:53:07 -0500
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nic.umass.edu!umassd.edu!ulowell!buscard!Uucp@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Updating the test
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Reply-To: myers@cypress.West.Sun.COM

In article 25748@newsgate.sps.mot.com, Rick Aldom <ayka60@email.sps.mot.com> ()
writes:

>In article <25vt50INN5s@abyss.West.Sun.COM> Dana Myers,
>myers@cypress.West.Sun.COM writes:
>>The FCC maintains a service that is composed of hobbyists. Therefore,
>the
>>FCC really is required to be the paternal grandfather of amateur radio
>(in
>>the US, at least).
>>
>>Yup, the riff-raff is here, though their news feed has been bugged for
>>a few weeks.
>
>Gee I guess I'm at a loss for words.....What's your point? Am I the
>riff raff you are refering to because I stood up and proclaimed my
>opinions on the matter (and the news feed)? I have many varied
>interests and check their news feeds too, but the
>rec.radio.amateur.policy is by far the most entertaining of the lot. I
>havn't seen so many wanta be important types in one location ever.

Well, gee, Rick, if the shoe fits.... :-)

Though the context has been removed in quoting my posting, it should
be obvious that I was commenting on an earlier note which suggested that
the FCC should not be the paternal grandfather of ham radio. Since the
FCC (and the US Government) created the Amateur Radio Service, they
are the "paternal grandfather" even if the service is actually a hobby
to most service members (i.e., radio amateurs).

Certainly rec.radio.amateur.policy is the most interesting group in
the rec.radio.* collection.

Now, so Rick doesn't worry, someone tell him about the riff-raff in Rhode
Island that have been absent for a few weeks (can you say "Rev." ?).

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Richard McAllister (rfm@urth.eng.sun.com) wrote:

: In article <CCnC5u.DFq@fc.hp.com> perry@fc.hp.com (Perry Scott) writes:

: >This isn't about rights, it's about obtaining rank and commensurate
: >privilege. We don't award Eagle to any scout that shows up at the troop
: >meeting. The Masons don't start a level 21. A priest doesn't start at
: >Pope. Nobody forces you to be an Eagle, a 21st Mason, or the Pope.
: >They are all voluntary positions which are respected because of the
: >effort required to get there.

: The difference here is that there are no activities which are legally
: restricted to only Eagle Scouts, 21st degree Masons, or Popes. If you code
: weenies want to set up an organization to hand out fancy certificates, lapel
: pins, and fancy hats based on code speed, go ahead.

I'm afraid I've been confused with someone else. I am not a code
weenie. The part which has been deleted comes from a post that suggests
alternative testing but notes some problems which need ironing out.

: I just want to fool around with AMTOR. Why should it be *illegal* to do so
: just because I refuse to jump when you say frog? (Whining about "treaty
: obligations" is pointless.

There is a 5 wpm international treaty/convention, Japan notwithstanding.
(Just because someone gets away with larceny doesn't make it right.)
Beyond that, I see no reason in principle why there could not be an
AMTOR version of 1B and/or 1C. Make a proposal.

: >There is a psychological principle involved here. If something is
: >difficult to obtain, people tend to not trash it when they get it.

: This is why one never sees trash dumped at the end of a desert mountain
: road? [Hint for the sarcasm impaired: one *does* see trash dumped at the
: ends of desert mountain roads.]

If enforcement is weak, this happens. Deserts also tend to be
self-preserving. I've seen 1890's prospector's garbage in fairly good
condition. Bad RF will dissipate.

Perry
AA0ET

Date: Fri, 03 Sep 1993 01:42:50 -0500
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I don't think the ITU specifies the required code speed, simply that knowledge
of CW is required for amateurs authorized to communicate under 30MHZ.

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ennews!anasaz!misty!john@network.ucsd.edu
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <ahLvt*-j1@ve3faq.UUCP>, <31748@ksr.com>, <pschleck.747420055@cwis>ov
Subject : Re: Possession & Illegal Confiscation of Amateur Radios?

pschleck@cwis.unomaha.edu (Paul W Schleck KD3FU) writes:

]Umm, not completely true. Accredited institutions of higher learning
]have some obligations to students, among them creating an atmosphere
]conducive to free thought and learning. They can't discriminate on the
]basis of race, for example, nor can they arbitrarily limit student freedom of
]expression (although they can certainly regulate time, place, and
]manner, within reason). It's not clear to me whether this is a

Tell this to the nation's universities. They routinely discriminate on
the basis of race (they have, for example, racial quotas). They also
arbitrarily limit freedom of expression (they have speech codes, so-called
hate speech rules, etc - did you hear about the Water Buffalo case at
Penn?).

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- - A conservative is a liberal who has been mugged by reality! - -

- - Support ALL of the bill of rights, INCLUDING the 2nd amendment! - -

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